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TO: Howard County Employees

FROM: Lonnie R. Robbins

Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Updated Mask Requirements

DATE: February 18, 2022

This communication was sent via global email to Howard County employees on Friday, February 18, 2022 at 9:05 a.m.

Dear Colleagues,

With the decrease in the number of positive COVID-19 cases and the decrease in the transmission rates of COVID-19 in Howard County, the County Executive is lifting the mask mandates for County owned or operated facilities effective Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Face coverings will no longer be required in most locations; however, I encourage those employees who are not vaccinated to continue to wear masks when interacting with the public or other employees. Every employee should feel comfortable to continue wearing a mask if they desire. Additionally, some facilities such as the Detention Center may still require face masks for both employees and visitors.

Thank you to all of you for working together and following COVID-19 safety protocols. We continue to prioritize keeping our employees safe while working through this ongoing pandemic. If you have any questions please contact John Peterson at X4439 or by email at <a href="mailto:jpeterson@howardcountymd.gov">jpeterson@howardcountymd.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Lonnie R. Robbins Chief Administrative Officer